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Markus WETLI ) **MAIL STOP-PATENT APPLICATION**  
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For: METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR )  
PRODUCING FORKED ROOTS )  
OF TURBINE BLADES )

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Gauss et al. U.S. Patent 5,676,505 is the English language equivalent of German Patent 44 31 841 cited in the specification of the subject patent application.

The remaining references and/or their English language equivalent(s) were cited in an Official action by the German Patent Office.

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